

REMARKS

The specification has been amended. Claims 1, 5, and 6 have been amended. Claims 10-13 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 1-9 are now pending in this application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

The specification and claims 1, 5, and 6 stand objected to because of informalities. The specification and claims have been amended, as suggested by the Examiner, to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Machida, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0083131 ("Machida"). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

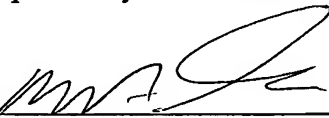
Applicant respectfully submits that Machida does not disclose or anticipate "a template of a scenario which is a file describing procedures for installing the software, the template including parameters specific to the computer," as recited by claim 1. Machida relates to a system for managing a personal computer or other peripheral device. In this system, Machida teaches a driver installation module 371 that is an "application that operates under the control of the OS [operating system]" (¶ 0094). This differs from the present invention. The present invention teaches a "template of a scenario" that is not an application or program as in Machida. The "template of a scenario" is an installation information description file which describes "procedures for installing the software, the template including parameters specific to the computer." Accordingly, the driver installation module 371 in Machida differs from the present invention. As such, claim 1 is allowable over Machida.

Claims 2-4 depend from claim 1 and are allowable along with claim 1 for at least the reasons provided above. Claims 5-9 also are allowable for similar, and for other reasons.

In view of the above amendment, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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